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## Foreign Applications

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Separator material for forming a separator for an <sup>Lead-</sup>acid accumulator

## Preliminary Class

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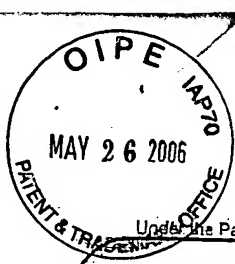
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**SEPARATOR MATERIAL FOR FORMING A SEPARATOR FOR A LEAD-ACID  
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